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1. WISH TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR YOUR EFFORTS IN

[REDACTED] OF MISSION C041C AFTER MISSION WAS INITIALLY  
DISAPPROVED.

2. FEEL IT IS MOST UNFORTUNATE THAT C041C WAS NOT FLOWN AS  
INITIALLY PROGRAMED. WEATHER DATA FROM WEATHER CENTRAL, VALID  
AT 04/0400 ZULU, INDICATED THAT 90 PER CENT OF MISSION ROUTE WOULD  
HAVE BEEN CATEGORY II OR BETTER. THUS ALL [REDACTED]  
AIRFIELD COVERAGE WOULD HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED WITH GOOD  
QUALITY RESULTS, EXCEPT FOR SHANTOU NE AIRFIELD, WHICH WAS IN  
DETERIORATING WEATHER AND MAY HAVE YIELDED POOR PHOTO RESULTS.

3. FYI: THE FOLLOWING WEATHER BRIEFINGS ARE ACCOMPLISHED  
ON ALL IDEALIST/TACKLE MISSIONS.

A. 2100 ZULU DAILY WEATHER BRIEFINGS CONDUCTED IN  
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**SUPPORT OF PROJECT.**

**B. IF DAY ONE 2100 ZULU WEATHER FORECAST FAVORABLE  
MISSION IS ALERTED**

**C. DAY TWO 1300Z A SECOND WEATHER BRIEFING IS  
CONDUCTED AND IF FORECAST STILL FAVORABLE MISSION COUNT  
DOWN CONTINUES. IF FORECAST UNFAVORABLE, MISSION IS  
DELAYED OR CANCELLED AS APPROPRIATE.**

**D. SECOND DAY 2100Z FINAL MISSION "GO-NO-GO" WEATHER  
BRIEFING ACCOMPLISHED. IF FORECAST STILL FAVORABLE  
MISSION EXECUTION MESSAGE TRANSMITTED. IF FORECAST  
UNFAVORABLE AGAIN DELAY OR CANCELLATION AS APPROPRIATE.**

**4. OUR WEATHER SUPPORT INCLUDES FULL FACILITIES OF U.S.  
GLOBAL WEATHER SYSTEM. WE FEEL THAT THIS SYSTEM WITH ITS  
EXTENSIVE DATA SOURCES IS BEST POSSIBLE SYSTEM FOR LONG RANGE  
FORECASTS <sup>of</sup> WEATHER OVER MAINLAND CHINA AND SURROUNDING AREAS.**

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5. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR PASSING INFO OF PARAGRAPH

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